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- (a) The Department shall issue a license to a freestanding medical facility that:
 - (1) Meets the licensure requirements under this subtitle; and
- (2) Receives a certificate of need or an exemption from obtaining a certificate of need from the Maryland Health Care Commission under § 19–120 of this title.
- (b) A freestanding medical facility that uses in its title or advertising the word "emergency" or other language indicating to the public that medical treatment for immediately life—threatening medical conditions exist at that facility shall be licensed by the Department before it may operate in this State.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsection (a)(2) of this section, the Department may not require a freestanding medical facility pilot project to be approved by the Maryland Health Care Commission as a condition of licensure.

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